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The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai asked at the Legislative Council meeting this afternoon:—Will the Honourable the Attorney General state whether he has any objection to give the reasons which governed him in not filing an indictment for manslaughter at the last Sessions in the Portland Street Building Collapse case?

The Hon. Attorney General said: His Excellency the Governor had already expressed to me a desire that the reasons which governed the Attorney General in not filing an indictment for manslaughter at the last Sessions in the Portland Street Building Collapse case should be known to the public.

They are as follows: After the Coroner's enquiry the prosecution obtained important expert evidence as to the construction of the buildings. This evidence did not establish such a degree of negligence as could justify a prosecution for manslaughter and in the opinion of the Attorney General no jury could possibly have convicted having regard to the evidence. The evidence also clearly demonstrated that the main supervision of the work was not controlled by Mr. Bird and as a fact the building Contract specifically defined the Architects to be "Clément Faimeur and Arthur Turner" and did not include the name of Mr. Bird. This point however was not material having regard to the absence of proof of negligence previously alluded to. In the Shaikwan case the evidence taken before the Coroner on the other hand clearly established grave negligence against the Contractor.

DIAMOND JUBILEE OF EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH.

Celebrations at Hongkong.

In celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of H. M. Francis Joseph, Emperor of Austria, and King of Hungary, the Consulate at Hongkong was closed on Wednesday and Consul and Mrs. von Wieser held an "At Home," at their residence "The Fire," Magazine Gap Road, during the afternoon.

There was a very large number of callers, including His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, extended by Captain Simons, A.D.C., and Mr. A. J. Brackenbury, Private Secretary, Mr. E. General Broadwood, the Officer Commanding the Forces, H. E. Vice-Admiral Sir "Halford" Lambton, and his A.D.C., Flag Lieutenant H. B. Mullen, Commodore Mrs. and Miss Lyon, Bishop Pozzani, the Consul representing the various nations of the world, Hon. Mr. F. H. and Mrs. May, Hon. Mr. W. and Mrs. Chatham, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hervey, Sir Francis Pigott, Capt. Blanchflower, Capt. G. C. Heathcote, Lieutenant Colonel Bayard, Commanding Officer of the Buffs, Major Percy J. Probyn of the Royal Army Medical Corps, the Officers Mess of the Royal Garrison Artillery, the Officers Mess of the Buffs, the Commanding officers of the German cruisers and gunboats, and the Right Reverend Father Augustin Plancher, the Rev. Canon and Mrs. Joanne Muller, Mr. and Mrs. Harris of the Imperial Chinese Customs of Kowloon, the Austro-Hungarian Colony and many civilians. Flags and bunting were displayed, also a large portrait of His Majesty wreathed with evergreens. The band of the Buffs discoursed an excellent programme of music including:—March "Under the Double Eagle," Overture "Tannhauser," Wagner, Reminiscences Verdi, Valse "Blue Danube" Strauss, Polonaise Chopin, Selection "Faust," Gounod, Entr'acte, from Act I of Lohengrin, March "Hoch Hebeburg" Kaper.

The Consul subsequently conveyed the congratulations of H. E. the Governor to Vienna by telegram and the Austro-Hungarian community later dined with Mr. Fitzmaurice, who is president of the Austro-Hungarian Benevolent Society at Hongkong.

The programme rendered by the band of the Buffs under Bandmaster O. B. Hewitt at this reception was highly appreciated by those who had the pleasure of listening to it. Such a high class of music has never been heard in the Colony for many a day and it is to be hoped that similar treats may be in store for us during the time we may have the pleasure of having the Buffs with us. Bandmaster Hewitt has the band under splendid control and it was apparent to all who listened, not only to the performance yesterday afternoon, but also at the St. Andrew's Hall, to observe what a pleasure it is to have a first class band amongst us. The high expectations of the Hongkong public as regards the musical attainments of the band have been fully realised.

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SATURDAY, December 5:—

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9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

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10 a.m.—Auction of Victualling Stores,
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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DEC. 8, 1908.

THE GIFT OF PROPHECY.

Is Sir ROBERT HART also among the
prophets? Speaking at Lisburn, in
county Antrim, the other day—according
to the special telegram published by the
China Mail on Tuesday—he declared
that within the next one or two hundred
years China, individually and nationally,
will be as strong as the Germany of
to-day and that she will then say to the
nations there shall be no more war. No
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for her wholeheartedly, building up a
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where the public service is honeycombed
with corruption, and where peculation in
high places is looked upon as but in the
natural order of things. We have often
wondered whether the Chinese really
appreciate all that Sir ROBERT HART has
done for them. True they have heaped
the highest honours upon him, making
him a Junior Guardian of the
Pearl Apparat, ennobling his an-
cestors for three generations back, and
entrusting him with the most delicate
negotiations in times of great national
danger. But deep down in their hearts,
what is their opinion of the brilliant

Irishman who has given so ungrudgingly
a whole lifetime to them? Who can
say. But if we have occasion to doubt
the actuality of Chinese feeling, there is
no room for speculation regarding Sir
Robert's opinion concerning China and
the Chinese. Just after the Boxer
troubles we find him writing:—

"It must be freely allowed that the
Chinese possess quite as large a share
of admirable qualities as others, and
that these are not merely to be found in
isolated cases here and there but are
characteristic of the race as a whole and
the civilization it has developed. They
are well-behaved, intelligent, economical
and industrious; they can learn any-
thing and do anything; they worship
talent, and they believe in right so
firmly that they seem to think it re-
quires to be supported or enforced by
might; they delight in literature, and
everywhere they have their literary
clubs and coteries for hearing and dis-
cussing each other's essays and verse; they
possess, and practice, an admirable
system of ethics, and they are generous,
charitable and fond of good works; they
never forget a favour and they make
rich return for any kindness, and
though they know money will buy
services, a man must be more than
wealthy to win public esteem and
respect; they are practical, teachable and
wonderfully gifted with common sense;
they are excellent artisans, reliable
workmen, and of a good faith that
everybody acknowledges and admires in
their commercial dealings; in no country
that is or was has the commandment,
'honour thy father and thy mother'
been so religiously obeyed or so
fully and without exception given
effect to and it is in fact the keynote of
their family, social, official, and
national life, and because it is so their
days are long in the land. God has
given them, I repeat, and not contempt,
contemnation and not dictation, ap-
preciation and not differential treat-
ment—try this prescription and you will
have a healthy body politic."

Elsewhere he wrote:—

"There is such a thing as Chinese
feeling and Chinese aspiration; and
these will never be stamped out, but
will live and seethe and work beneath
the surface through all time, even under
the most beneficent rule, and in the end
—it may be sooner or it may be later—
assert themselves and win their object."

There is no lack of sincerity in this
appreciation of an ancient people, and at
the time these words first appeared they
created quite a sensation. In all his
speeches since he has been home Sir
Robert Hart has struck the same note,
and naturally some European critics
have fallen foul of him in consequence.
It is a curious fact, as Captain BENKLEY
points out in his monumental work on
"Japan and China," that a certain class
of commentators maintain that long
acquaintance with Oriental people, and
close study of their customs, their char-
acter, their literature and their ethics,
unfit a man to pronounce an authorita-
tive opinion about them. According to
these writers, then, Sir ROBERT HART has
become more Chinese than the Chinese
themselves, and the robustness of his
intelligence having been impaired by
too long association with the land and
its people his opinions need not be taken
too seriously. We do not agree with
them. The future, which Sir ROBERT
HART predicts is quite possible. It is not
so many decades since England purged
her public, civil and diplomatic services
of gross venality and made them what
they are to-day, objects of pride to every
unit of the Empire. China, had she a
few more CHANG CHUN-TSUNG—one of the
poorest and most clean-handed of men
in high office anywhere to-day—could do
the same in less than a hundred years.
She has splendid material to work upon,
while her great source of intellectual
inspiration, the Confucian Analects, if
properly applied, could materially spur
her on to successful achievement. Will
she do it? That is the question which
her friends are asking to-day. The
leaven of the "new learning" is
working throughout the land, and
naturally is having the tendency to
bring the more "heady" of its support-
ers to the front. This is only to be
expected, but by and by, we imagine,
as the nation begins to digest the new
nutriment a very different state of
things will arise so that which we see
nowadays, and the rejuvenated China
will be a power not to be despised when
the nations gather around a world-wide

council board. Well will it be with the
world if in those days that are to be China
prevails in the cause of universal peace
by persuading the nations of the
supreme exaltance of a course of "sweet
reasonableness" in settling all quarrels
and disputes; for then we shall not be
far from the time when men shall beat
their swords into ploughshares and
their spears into pruning hooks—an
aspiration, by-the-way, which found
literary expression in the land of Egypt
many centuries before ABRAHAM was
born, showing how intense has been
the longing for peace ever since history
came to be written. China's future is
big with vast potentialities for good or
ill; let us hope that Sir ROBERT HART's
prophecy may be translated into actual
fact some day.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The German Mail of the 4th November
was delivered in London on the 2nd inst.

Our Scottish letter will be found on
pages 2 and 3, while other interesting news
will be found on pages 1 and 2.

Our Canton correspondent says a
proclamation was issued on Wednesday
morning at Canton prohibiting students
from smoking cigarettes.

Dr N. Gordon Munro, who has made
quite a distinguished name for himself in
the field of Japanese archaeology, is passing
through to Yokohama by the Kamo Maru.

An interesting quarterly magazine
styled "The Sakidokoro," a Hongkong
quarterly, makes its first appearance this
week. It is compiled by Mr T. Swaby,
and contains numerous illustrations. The
price is 50 cts.

The death is announced at Tientsin of
Mr Jay Pollock McCoy, registered at the
American Consulate at Tientsin, who died
of pneumonia at Peking on November
14th. He was president of the United
States Asiatic Trading Co., with head-
quarters at Indianapolis.

Among those who returned to the Colony
to-day by the Kamo Maru were Lady
Digby, wife of the Chief Justice; Hon.
Commander Basil Taylor, Harbour Master,
wife and child; Mr A. Forbes, the Hong-
kong head of Bradley and Co., Mr G. A.
Woodcock, and Mr and Mrs F. C. Butler, etc.

The wife of the Indian who was arrest-
ed on suspicion of having poisoned her
husband was again brought up at the
Magistrate to-day, and further remanded.
The depositions of the husband had been
taken and within a few minutes of the
remanding of the case by the Magistrate,
word was received that the man had died.

While a native widow was walking
along Stanton Street she was accosted by
two men who played the confidence trick
on her by getting her to leave three rings
value \$30 with them while she obliged
them by going to a money changer to
change some supposed notes which were
given to her in a bundle by the men, and
which proved to be nothing but paper.
No arrests have yet been made.

During the run of "A Country Girl,"
at the Theatre Royal, special dinners are
being provided every evening at the
Oriental Hotel for the proprietress, Mrs
Matthews, for the convenience of guests
who intend visiting the theatre later in
the evening. During the acts visitors will
be specially catered for, should they care
to step over to the Oriental Hotel, where
light refreshments can be obtained.

The public of Hongkong will be pleas-
ed to hear that there will be exhibited
shortly a fine selection of some 224
valuable oil paintings, all originals, by
French artists, from the Salon de Paris.
The exhibition will probably be held in
the City Hall in a few days if the use of
the rooms can be obtained. A small charge
for admission will be made, the proceeds
of which will go to local charities.

**EFFICIENT TYPHOON
SIGNALS.**

At the Legislative Council this afternoon
His Excellency referred to the efficiency of
the Typhoon Signals and was glad to inform
the Council that arrangements were about
to be made with regard to a wireless tele-
graphic station at the South East of the
Colony. He had also been in communica-
tion with the Governor General of the Philip-
pines and had received a sympathetic reply
and he had also arranged with the Tele-
graph Company to forward more frequent
messages during typhoon weather at a
small cost.

CHINESE POST OFFICE.

To Be Separated from Customs.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Canton, December 2.

It was reported in the Chinese news-
papers late last week with the beginning of
the new year, the Chinese Imperial Post Office
will be separated from the Imperial
Maritime Customs, but no official notifica-
tion has yet been received.

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PIERCE RIOTING AT
PRAGUE.

**MOB ATTACKS WITH PAVING
STONES.**

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay.)

LONDON, December 2.

Pierce rioting has broken out at
Prague between the Czechs and the
troops. The latter were attacked with
paving stones and repelled the attack
by a sabre charge. Many were injured
during the riot.

The anti-German feeling is such that
Germans have been ejected from the
cars and theatres.

[Note.—Prague is the capital of the
kingdom of Bohemia, situated on the
slope of the hills which skirt the sides
of the river Moldau, 251 miles north-east
of Vienna by railway. Prague, which
ranks as the third city of Austria, presents
a highly picturesque appearance from the
beauty of its site and the numerous lofty
towers, numbering more than seventy,
which rise above the many noble palaces,
public buildings and bridges of the city.
According to popular tradition Prague was
founded in 772 by the Duke of Libussa.
In the 13th century its importance was
fully recognized and the two subsequent
centuries brought many foreigners to its
universities, until the decision of Emperor
Wenzlaus to favour Bohemian students
more than others, drove thousands of
scholars with their professors to other
places. In the Thirty Years War it suffered
severely and in 1820 a battle was fought
on the White Mountain, near the city in
which the Elector-Palatine, Frederick V.,
son-in-law of James I of England was com-
pletely defeated and compelled to renounce
his assumed crown, and to give up the
town into the power of the emperor.
During later years Prague, however, has
made rapid strides and enjoyed prosperity
and quiet.—En. C.M.]

**CHAO KAI LIN TO BE
RESTORED TO OFFICE.**

(Woh Tui Yat Po's Service.)

PRING, December 2.

Prince Chun intends to appoint Chao
Kai Lin to office again.

[Note.—Chao was a Censor and cen-
sured Prince Ching and his son Prince
Chung severely, before the Throne.
Through this he was removed from office.—
En. C.M.]

Prince Chun has sent for Prince
Ching and Chang Chih-tung to hold
an important consultation with their
Royal Highnesses.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFTHS.

Twenty-three subscription grifths arrived
by the s.s. Hang Sang on Wednesday
and were drawn for as follows, at Ken-
sedy's Repository, Causeway Bay.

No. 25—White—Capt. Barker, Buffs;
No. 26—White—General Broadwood, No.
27—Bay—Admiral Lambton, No. 28—Bay
—A. Moir, No. 29—Chester—Capt.
Houlton, Buffs; No. 30—Chester—C. E.
Anton, No. 31—White—Lieut. Lawson,
No. 32—Bay—J. R. M. Smith, No. 33—
Dark Grey—A. C. Hynes, No. 34—Black
—Major Finlay, No. 35—Gray—Hind and
Hynes, No. 36—Rosa—Macdonald and
Hewarth, No. 37—Iron—Gray—F. W.
Goldring, No. 38—Gray—Lieut. Stodd,
No. 39—White—G. Friesland, No. 40—
Bay—H. P. White, No. 41—Chester—
W. J. Gresson, No. 42—Gray—F. B. Dea-
con, No. 43—White—J. H. Lewis, No. 44—
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Whesley and No. 47—Gray—H. Hum-
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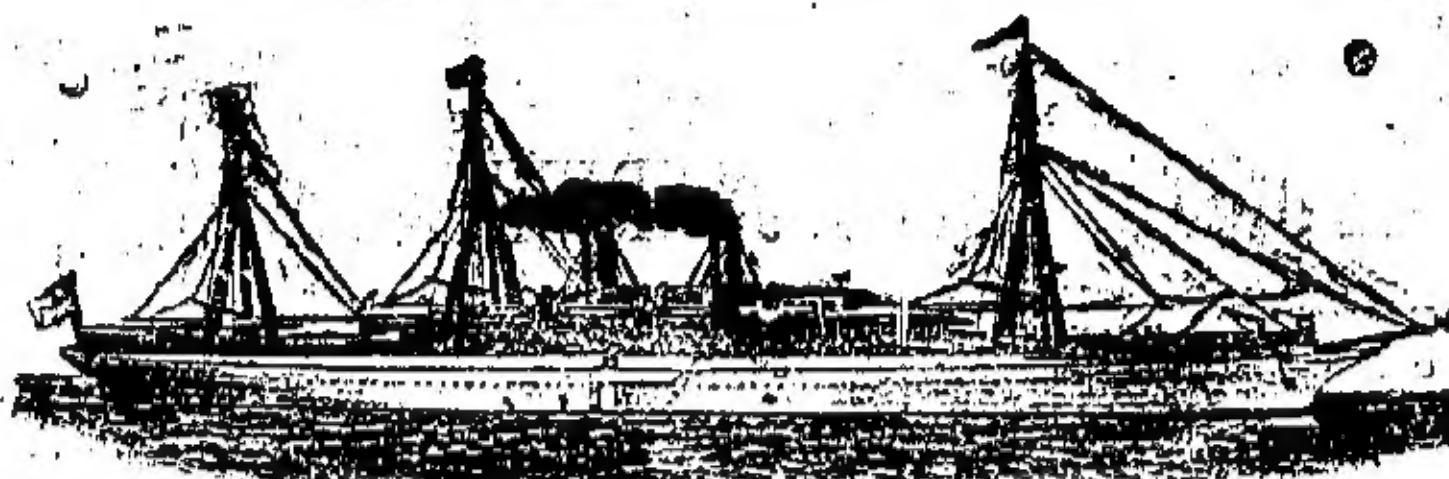
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LONDON & ANTWERP	SOMALI, Capt. A. G. CURRIE, R.N.R.	December 7th	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELTA, Capt. W. H. SNOW	About 10th	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, via USUAL PORTS	DEVANHA, Capt. W. HAYWARD, R.N.R.	Noon, 12th	See Special Advertisement.

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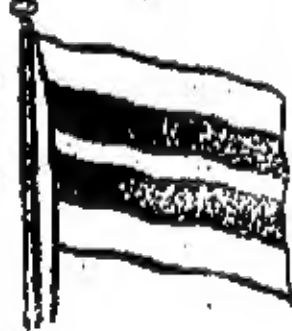
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	WAKASA MARU, Capt. N. Nielsen, Tons 6265	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Dec., at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C., AND SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA	KAGA MARU, Capt. G. L. Spratt, Tons 6301	TUESDAY, 8th Dec., at 4 p.m.
	TOSU MARU, Capt. J. Nagao, Tons 6528	TUESDAY, 22nd Dec., at 4 p.m.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, DALLS AND BRISBANE.	KUMANO MARU, Capt. N. Matheson, Tons 5678	FRIDAY, Dec. 22, at Noon, 1908.
KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA.	KAWACHI MARU, Capt. H. Peterson, Tons 6101	SATURDAY, 12th Dec., at Daylight.

YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, MOI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA.	KAMO MARU, Capt. F. L. Sommer, Tons 9000	Dec., at Daylight.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. N. Matheson, Tons 5678	Dec., at Noon.
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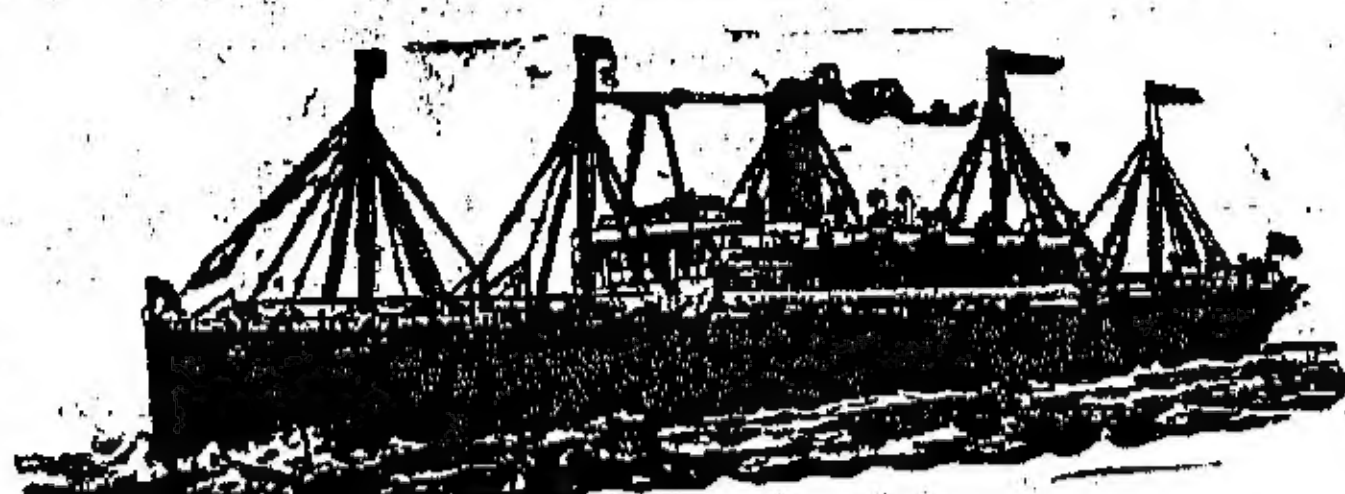
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ASIA	10,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.
MONGOLIA	27,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 9th Jan., at Noon.
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	BURLOW, Capt. H. Formos	THURSDAY, 23rd Dec.
MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, SAMARANG, PORT TOLONG, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	MANILA, Capt. J. Minssen	THURSDAY, 3rd Dec., at 6 p.m.
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THE PURITY OF FOOD.

The Lancet of the 24th October contains a long and interesting article upon the manufacture of Lemoos, Oxo and Nursing Oxo, and the huge cattle-rearing industry connected therewith.

The proprietors of the Lancet are to be congratulated on their initiative in dealing with such an important subject. Medical men must often regret that they have not the opportunity of visiting the vast Argentine cattle farms where these concentrated foods are prepared, and see with their own eyes the scrupulous care and scientific methods which are employed to ensure the maximum amount of dietetic efficiency being maintained. They will, therefore, be specially interested in reading the account of an expert eye-witness who has evidently been initiated into the innermost secrets of the business.

As is generally known, articles in the Lancet are written for the benefit of the medical profession and nurses, but this particular subject is of such interest, and the descriptive part has been handled so realistically, that the article in question is of real interest to the general public.

After dwelling upon the origin of Lemoos, the researches of the celebrated Baron Justus von Liebig, and the formation in 1865 of the Liebig Company—the originators of the manufacture of concentrated beef foods—the Commissioner goes on to say:—“It is difficult to convey an adequate sense of the magnitude of the cattle farms situated upon the Liebig Company's property in the Argentine, in Uruguay and Paraguay. Even a rapid round of all the estates, without spending more than a day and a night at each, would occupy the best part of three months. And the traveller would encounter, over the thousands of miles covered, a vast ocean of grass, ever being replenished by a congenial climate, studded by innumerable herds of cattle, each perhaps comprising from 2,000 to 4,000 head, and after some days he would begin to long for a change in the scene, for he would probably get satiated with the sight of so many cattle, albeit they are splendid beasts, whose sties are English pedigree bred. He would appreciate the unusually exhilarating and pure air; the sense of real fatigue comes but rarely in spite of hard travelling. He would admire the marvellously healthy-looking condition and cleanly and picturesque appearance of the cattle, due to careful breeding and selection of stock, and, above all, to the fact that every moment of their life day and night is spent in the open air. The whole camp is, in short, one stupendous example of the open-air life. It not only supplies abundance of good pasture and water, but it provides a continual supply of fresh vitalised air which effectually guards the cattle from those diseases to which they are prone.”

When the total acreage of the Lemoos and Oxo farms is taken into account, coupled with the enormous head feeding thereon, some conception of the grass-yielding value of the pastures is gained. Apart from sheep, the stock of cattle at the present time is about 250,000, which are distributed over 1,500,000 acres of grass. On this estimate the allotment to each animal is about five acres of pasturage. The average daily amount of grass consumed by one animal is 38 pounds; a herd of 250,000 would, therefore, consume per diem 22,000,000 pounds of grass, or approximately 10,000 tons. The yearly consumption of grass would thus mean not far short of 4,000,000 tons. These quantities are prodigious, and they illustrate the increase which the land brings forth. Similarly, the annual amount of water consumed, based on the fact of one animal requiring 30 litres per day, would amount to 700,000,000 gallons per annum for the herd. These figures will convey some idea of the scale on which cattle farming is done in the Argentine and neighbouring States, but after all they refer only to the stock of one Company, which, however, is the largest stock held, as it is the finest bred by any individual concern. Altogether the cattle population of the Argentine is nearly 85,000,000 and in the Uruguay over 6,000,000 head.

The Commissioner describes the processes of manufacture, and makes a special point of the scientific supervision which is exercised over every detail; even the temperature at which Lemoos and Oxo are prepared varies from day to day, with the age of the cattle, the season of the year, and the kind of pasture upon which they are reared. The details of veterinary inspection are most convincing, and the magnificent water supply described, diagrams being given comparing the volume of water in the River Uruguay with that in the Thames.

The article contains a number of analyses, which will be exceedingly useful to the medical profession, and is illustrated with a number of photos of the country. Altogether the Lancet Commissioner gives a very interesting account of his 16,000 mile journey, and the article, which covers twelve pages in the Lancet, is of real educational value, and gives a clear idea of the dietetic properties of Lemoos, Oxo and Nursing Oxo.

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THE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY CELEBRATION AT CANTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 2.
To-day is the coronation day of the new Emperor, and all the consular flags and the flags of the gunboats in the harbour are flying for the day at the head of the mast. At noon a salute of eleven guns was fired on H.M.S. Robin and on one of the two French gunboats, and during the firing of the salute a salute was hoisted on the three gunboats.

A coronation ceremony was performed in the temple in the city and was attended by all the foreign consuls in full dress and by the Commissioner of Customs and the Postal Commissioner. The mourning cloth was removed from the sedan chairs for the occasion.

For the Chinese officials matters were less simple. All the officials received orders to attend the ceremony. They had to go in mourning dress and on their arrival at the temple they had to put off their mourning clothes and don the official robes appropriate to the coronation ceremony.

Immediately after the ceremony they had to change their dress again and return to their mourning.

ROBBERS IN KWANGTUNG.

A Menace to the People.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 2.
Robbers are very numerous on the borders of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, and they behave towards the peaceful inhabitants of the district just as they please. Although the officials have offered considerable rewards they are becoming bolder and bolder, particularly those who live in the wilder parts. The Prefect of Lok Ping has received urgent orders to get rid of these brigands and to station soldiers throughout the district to guard the people against such attacks.

STUDENTS RETURN TO STUDIES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 2.
More than one half of the students of the Whampoa Military College have returned to their studies and work at the college is going on as usual. A notice has been issued ordering the rest of the students to return immediately and giving the warning that those who refuse to obey the order will be charged with breaking the college rules.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Meg of the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 3rd at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen moderately over H. China, and fallen slightly in W. Japan.
Pressure is highest over China to the North of the Yangtze, and lowest to the N.E. of Japan in the North, and over the S. Philippines in the South.
Strong monsoon will continue to prevail in the Formosa Channel, and N. and N.E. gales over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

Forecast District.
1.—Hongkong and neighbourhood: N. to N.E. winds, fresh; dull, some rain.
2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, strong.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lanchow: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: N. winds, strong.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, December 3, 1908.

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